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KAREN COMPLETES SECOND LEG OF EPIC CHALLENGE

Intrepid 47-year-old aims to be first British woman to swim world's seven toughest stretches of open water to raise £100,000 for Alder Hey

Report by **Kenny Parker**

AN intrepid swimmer from West Lancs has completed the second leg of an epic challenge to raise £100,000 for Alder Hey Children's Hospital and become the first woman from Britain to swim seven of the world's toughest stretches of water.

Karen Ennis, from Burscough, and her late husband Gary had already raised more than £24,000 for the hospital, to which they have had "close connections", following a number of fundraising events, including her swimming the English Channel in 2017.

Sadly, Gary, who was head of IT services at Merseytravel, was involved in a fatal cycling accident last year while training for an ironman event. However, Karen, who is a director of information systems at Merseyside Police, decided to continue with their fundraising goal, knowing that is what Gary would want.

Earlier this year the 47-year-old became the 428th person in the world to swim an Ice Mile - a one-mile swim in water temperature of five degrees Celsius or less wearing only a standard costume, goggles and one swim hat.

An elated Karen Ennis proudly displays her motto after completing her Catalina Channel swim.

And her latest challenge last week saw her swim the Catalina Channel, a 22-mile stretch of water off the coast of Los Angeles, USA.

The Catalina Channel and the English Channel are two of the so-called Oceans Seven, the name given to what are regarded as the toughest seven open-water swims in the world.

Karen is being coached in her bid by Adam Walker, the first Britain to complete the Oceans Seven challenge and one of only two swimmers to do so at the first attempt.

The Catalina Channel swim took her 15 hours and 20 minutes and proved challenging in more ways than one. After five hours she says she was hit with doubts and was tempted to throw in the towel.

But she remembered the motto on her swimming cap, 'I can and I will....watch me!' and kept on going.

And she was rewarded for her efforts with some welcome 'company' when she was joined by a pod of dolphins who swam next to her as she approached the finish!

"I forgot all the aches and pains when towards the end of my swim I had one of the most incredible experiences in my life. A super pod of dolphins came to swim and play around me. "They were incredibly curious and kept coming to eye me up. The sound of them whistling is something I will never forget, they truly carried me to the end of the swim."

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Consultation to get underway on Altcar fracking application

Report by **Kenny Parker**

A photo mock-up of how the well site could look.

AN application to frack for shale gas in West Lancashire has been submitted to Lancashire County Council which will launch a public consultation on Friday, July 26.

The council says it recently received a planning application from Aurora Energy Resources to drill, hydraulically fracture and test two exploratory boreholes at the site at Sutton's Lane, Great Altcar.

Following the consultation, the authority says its planning team will work to consider responses received from the public and other statutory agencies to ensure all the information needed to determine the application is put before the development control committee.

The application can be found on the planning register by searching "planning' on the council's website www.lancashire.gov.uk for links to the planning register then search for the application number LCC/2019/0037.

Last week councillors at West Lancs Council backed a motion to oppose the plans.

A non-technical summary in the application submitted by Aurora sets out seven phases with which it will carry out the work, including the construction of an access track and well site, drilling vertical (3,000m) and then horizontal (1,500m) boreholes, the hydraulic fracture stimulation of the borehole and the subsequent testing of gas.

The work is estimated to take a total of 21 months with much of it taking place 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Aurora has emphasised that the works are only to discover whether there is a viable commercial supply of gas in West Lancashire. If there is, a further application will need to be made to the authority to set up an operation to recover it.

If it is found that there is not a viable gas supply, Autorra says it will decommission the well and restore the site to how it is at present.

Also in the summary Aurora acknowledges that the proposed development would temporarily introduce tall equipment, lighting and activity into a relatively

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CCG awarded second consecutive 'good' rating by NHS England

NHS WEST Lancashire Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) has been rated as 'good' for a second consecutive year, following an annual assessment by NHS England.

The annual assessment rates each group in the country on a number of performance-based indicators against an improvement and assessment framework (CCG IAF).

This aligns key objectives and priorities as part of their aim to deliver their Five-Year Forward View. There are four available ratings - inadequate, requires improvement, good and outstanding.

Mike Maguire, chief officer at NHS West Lancashire CCG, said: "We are pleased to see this recognition and that we have retained a 'good' rating. NHS England specifically commended us for maintaining this rating despite the growing pressure that we find ourselves under.

"Like other CCGs and NHS organisations, we face rising costs, limited resources and high demand for services. Retaining this rating is a testament to the schemes we have developed, our vision and partnership working, and of course the hard work and determination of the team here at the CCG."

Mike Maguire: "Rating is a testament to the hard work and determination of the team here at the CCG."

The rating praised the progress the CCG has made in areas including its work around diabetes and dementia clinical indicators.

For diabetic patients this involved meeting all treatment targets as set out by The National Institute for Health and Care Excellence (NICE) as well as incorporating education and self-help with education courses made available for all patients living with a diagnosis.

With regards to dementia, indicators included diagnosis rates, care planning and ongoing support for patients.

The CCG was also commended on its clear focus on children and young people, particularly through community-based schemes, such as the investment in an innovative fully immersive sleep therapy room at Twinkle House in Skelmersdale, which aids children who are having difficulties with their sleep.

They have also encouraged paediatric services in West Lancashire to work closer with Twinkle House; support for parents/carers with children living with autism, and a full review of children's services within primary, secondary and community care that they are in the midst of carrying out.

The CCG is currently undertaking a review of services for children and young people, which includes workshops and visioning with the third sector and patient groups, in order to identify where improvements can be made.

Another highlight within the rating is the 100 per-cent take-up of the CCG's extended GP access scheme which allows all patients in West Lancs to access a GP in the evening and weekends seven days a week, 365 days a year, including all bank holidays.

The CCG has also been recognised for its good working relationships with neighbouring commissioning groups, local authorities and providers.

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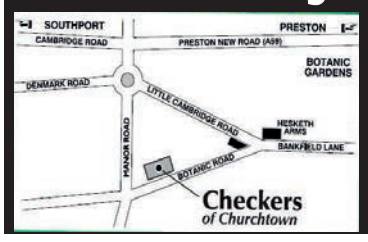

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Bid for Lottery funding for Blue Plaques to commemorate duo

Booklets will relate amazing tales of First World hero who defied injury to earn Churchill's praise for helping beat Nazi threat and campaigning efforts of 'votes for women' stalwart

Report by **Kenny Parker**

LOCAL history enthusiasts are bidding for funding to honour two unsung heroes from Burscough.

Michael Dawson and Lawrence Critchley of history group Images Of Burscough and Surrounding Areas have teamed up with former village resident Trevor Bridge and borough councillor Andy Pritchard in applying to the National Lottery for £2,000 to cover the cost of siting two Blue Plaques to commemorate Trevor's great uncle Edward Bridge and suffragette Harriet Mahood.

It is also planned to produce information booklets about the pair's deeds.

Edward Bridge, who was born in Burscough in 1893, won a Military Medal in the First World War for wiping out a German machine gun post.

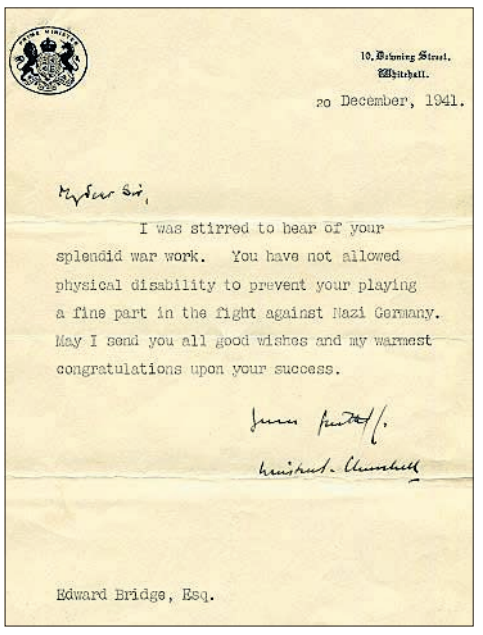
Incredibly, he later received the British Empire Medal (BEM) - and a personal letter of thanks from Prime Minister Winston Churchill - for his service to the country in the Second World War, despite being bedridden as a result of injuries suffered in the 1914-18 war!

Having built radio receivers he would listen to the shipping frequencies from his bed and in 1940 he overheard coded messages which he forwarded to police. These turned out to be from German spies operating in Liverpool reporting on shipping movements.

Edward was subsequently recruited to Radio Secret Services (RSS) as a volunteer and a car would arrive every morning at his house to collect his intercepted messages to be taken to Bletchley Park for deciding.

One message that he discovered in July 1940 proved to be "extremely valuable" to the war effort and the following year he was awarded the BEM and received a personal letter from PM Winston Churchill.

In his letter, Mr Churchill wrote: "I was stirred to hear of your splendid war work. You have not allowed physical disability to prevent your playing a fine part in the fight against Nazi Germany. May I send you all good wishes and my warmest congratulations upon your success."



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Edward Bridge, Esq.

● **Above: The letter of thanks from Prime Minister Winston Churchill.**
● **Top right: Edward Bridge.**
● **Right: Harriet Mahood.**

His great nephew Trevor believes the timing of the message coincided with when Adolf Hitler issued a directive for a planned invasion of England, 'Operation Sea Lion'.

Edward died in October 1942 aged 49 and is buried in St John's parish churchyard, Burscough.

Supported

Harriet Emma Mahood ran a florists business in Liverpool before moving to Burscough where she opened a nursery on Red Cat Lane.

She joined the Women's Social and Political Union (WSPU) in its early years and was also a member of the Independent Labour Party. The WSPU was a women-only political movement and leading militant organisation campaigning for women's suffrage from 1903 to 1917.

She spoke at various events across Lancashire and supported the call by suffragette leader Emmeline Pankhurst for a 'silent protest' by leaving her name out of the 1911 census form sent to her Burscough address.

Michael Dawson said: "By including a man and women in this project we believe it will significantly increase the chances of the grant being awarded.

"Also in the application we plan to produce an eight-to-12 page booklet about Edward and Harriet which will be given out for free, with several copies for each local school.

"The Blue Plaques will be cast in metal and have been designed by Trevor Bridge This will be a first for the area.

"We haven't decided on a definite location for the plaques as yet and we are open to any serious offers or suggestions."

Karen's epic swim challenge in aid of children's hospital

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Having completed the challenge, the plucky swimmer said she was "glowing with excitement and pride" and paid tribute to the "fantastic support" she has received from Adam Walker, and also the Endurance Store Team, based in Wigan, and Harry Middleton's Cycling Club, Ormskirk - all of whom have been "fundraising madly."

She added: "I am also very touched that Gary's old work colleagues from Merseytravel keep holding events in his name."

Meanwhile, next up for Karen is the Molokai Straits, Hawaii, in October with the remaining challenges made up of the Gibraltar Straits; the Tsugaru Channel, Japan; Cook Strait, New Zealand; and the North Channel between Scotland and Northern Ireland.

To donate to Karen's fundraising effort for Alder Hey visit www.justgiving.com/fundraising/karenennis18.

Residents' thumbs up for Burscough Parish Council Neighbourhood Plan

RESIDENTS of Burscough have voted in favour of a Neighbourhood Plan which will shape future development in the town.

Drawn up by the parish council with the assistance of a planning consultant, the plan has taken four years to produce from initial focus group meetings to a referednum on July 11.

It contains a vision, objectives and policies for Burscough covering a time period to 2027. It will shape what development takes place in the future and where; what new buildings will be expected to look like; what new infrastructure may be needed; and which sites, such as open spaces, should be protected.

More than 88% of those who took part in the referendum voted in favour of the plan being adopted by the borough council.

Chairman of Burscough Parish Council, Councillor Brian Kennedy, said: "I would like to thank all residents of Burscough who turned out to vote and all councillors for their work and effort in bringing a successful conclusion to this journey."

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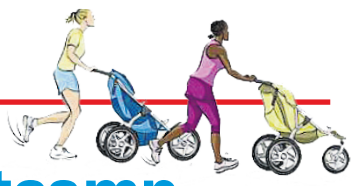

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Opponents of Parbold Hill project call for supporters to write 1,000 objection letters

MEMBERS of a campaign group opposed to plans to tip inert waste at Parbold Hill are calling for supporters to write 1,000 letters of objection to the local authority.

Organisers of the Stop Parbold Hill Landfill group, set up to fight the application by Maybrook Developments to create a new landfilll site on the former general waste site, held a public meeting at Parbold Village Hall on Tuesday July 16 which they say was attended by around 200 members of the public.

The group claims there are concerns about possible pollution and unpleasant odours, along with noise pollution from lorries and machinery working at the site of what is regarded as a local beauty spot popular with both residents and visitors from near and far for its views.

Peter Dicknson Architects, acting as agents on behalf of the developer, have previously disputed the claims. They say the former landfill site has sunken and that the plan is a restoration project to prevent rainwater percolating into it where it becomes polluted.

They also say there is a low risk of odour and emissions and that the plans will enhance the site and improve its views,

The architects further dispute statements made at the public meeting but say they will provide a formal response at a later date.

Meanwhile local landowner Martin Ainscough called on the public to write to Lancashire County Council and encourage others to do so. "Our aim is to get over 1,000 objections from the current level of about 300," he said,.

West Lancs MP Rosie Cooper says she has raised concerns with both Lancashire County Council and the Environment Agency over the scale of the landfill and the limited notice period for the application.

Lancashire County Council has previouisly said that with the site being situated in the Green Belt the applicant would have to demonstrate very special circumstances to justify the location of the devlopment.

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An artist's impression of the proposed new Ormskirk Leisure and Wellbeing Hub.

Reminder to have your say on new leisure hubs plans

WEST Lancs Council is reminding residents there is still time to give their views on proposals to replace ageing leisure centres in Ormskirk and Skelmersdale with state-of-the-art leisure and wellbeing hubs.

The council is running a public consultation on the proposals until Friday, August 2 and wants as many people as possible to get involved. The plans can be viewed and commented on at www.westlancshubs.co.uk.

Information and feedback forms are also available at Nye Bevan Pool, Skelmersdale and Park Pool, Ormskirk.

Plans for the proposed Ormskirk hub on Churchfields, include swimming pools, a 120-station fitness suite, dance and spinning studios, café and adventure soft play.

Following construction, Coronation Park would be improved as part of a proposed masterplan with the current Park Pool site being returned to parkland following the building's demolition.

Plans for the Skelmersdale hub include swimming pools, ten-pin bowling, climbing walls, a 120-station fitness suite, dance and spinning studios, café and adventure soft play. It will replace Nye Bevan Pool and is proposed to be on Ingram next to West Lancashire College and Asda.

Following construction, Nye Bevan Pool will be demolished and the site redeveloped as part of the wider town centre plan.

Councillor Yvonne Gagen, the council's deputy leader and portfolio holder for leisure and human resources, said: "The council is grateful to everyone who has taken part in the consultation on the hubs which will give many more people the chance to enjoy getting fitter and healthier. But we would encourage everyone to give their views before the consultation closes to give us as wide a range of views as possible."

It is currently planned that both hub facilities will be operational in 2022. For more information on the project call Freephone number 0800 298 7040.

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Police chief confirms plans for dual-purpose cameras on County Road

...but no date for when they will actually be installed!

Report by **Kenny Parker**

LANCASHIRE Police have confirmed to local councillors that there are plans to introduce dual traffic light and speed cameras on County Road, Ormskirk.

In the week that a lorry driver appeared in court for causing a fatal accident at the Hayfield Pub/Green Lane junction on the road, borough councillors Kate Mitchell and Jane Thompson received an email from police to say stretches of the road, including the nearby Fiveways junction, are at the forefront of road safety discussions but that they are waiting for the approval of the new cameras.

The recently-elected Our West Lancashire councillors had written to the chief constable to say that recent changes to the speed limit on County Road had been ineffective and called on him to take action to improve road safety.

They wrote: "As we are sure you are aware, incidents occur on a disturbingly regular basis with a significant number including serious injuries and fatalities.

"We are perplexed as to why there appears to be such a reluctance to install red light enforcement cameras at these junctions.

"As previous spokespersons, we have raised this issue many times with Lancashire County Councillor Keith Iddon, but, despite his shared frustration and empathy in this matter, he repeatedly informs us that enforcement is a police matter.

"We now implore you to consider our much-justified request to install effective measures to assist in significantly reducing serious incidents at these junctions.

"While the speed limit has been reduced from 40mph to 30mph, we believe that this measure is proving to be totally ineffective. Our rationale being that the considerate drivers who adhere to the speed limits are not the ones who cause the problems at the junctions."

Councillor Kate Mitchell.

Issues

The councillors argued that the cost of the cameras would be offset by savings in the cost of emergency services attending accidents and the fines recovered from the "selfish and arrogant" drivers who "wilfully jump the red lights and who cause most of the incidents."

In response, Chief Inspector Ian Jones, wrote: "My staff are aware of the issues around the junctions mentioned and it is certainly on the forefront of the discussions of the Lancashire Road Safety Partnership (LRSP) whose decision it would be to approve any such red light/speed enforcement cameras.

"We are currently looking at possible devices to put forward to the LRSP. However the devices that I believe we are looking at suggesting have not yet been type approved. However we believe this is imminent.

"The cameras in question will deal with both red light and speed offences at the same location. The fact the cameras can record both these offences has meant a somewhat longer process for the manufacturer to gain the appropriate 'type approval'.

"Fiveways junction is included in a report completed some 18 months ago looking at red light and spot speed contraventions, and is considered to be a priority in this area when type approval has been obtained for this camera system."

Following the reply, Cllr. Mitchell said: "We welcome the news that the police are taking our concerns seriously and that, finally, effective enforcement measures are on the horizon for, hopefully, both of the dangerous junctions, Fiveways and the Hayfield Pub/Green Lane junction.

"We are disappointed that no timescale was mentioned as to when we can expect them to be installed and so we shall both be monitoring the situation closely."

County council to launch consultation on Altcar Moss fracking application

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tranquil landscape, reducing the semi-rural qualities of Altcar Moss. However, it says the effects would be fully reversible at the end of the temporary development.

Regarding the risk of seismic activity, the application states: "Vibration at the surface as a result of any induced seismic event will be well below the level that may cause even cosmetic damage to the most sensitive properties."

A Labour motion, supported by Our West Lancashire, was passed at West Lancs Council calling on the council to confirm its opposition to Aurora's plans.

Put forward by Councillor Maureen Mills, chair of Halsall Against Fracking, the motion said: "This council reiterates its opposition to fracking in West Lancashire due to health and safety concerns and the impact of fracking to the environment."

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The scene of the fatal accident.

Suspended prison sentence for death crash lorry driver

A LORRY driver who caused the death of a Scarisbrick man after he went through red lights at a junction on County Road, Ormskirk, has been given a suspended prison sentence.

John Roberts, 69, was killed when his BMW was struck by a 42-ton truck on the A59 near to the Hayfield Pub at 8am on December 22, 2017.

The truck driver, William Wright, 24, from Sheffield, was sentenced to 15 months jail suspended for two years at Burnley Crown Court.

The court heard that he had gone through the lights 19 seconds after they had turned red.

Wright who, the court was told was unfamiliar with the area, admitted he had been using his phone as a sat-nav and said he thought the lights were on green.

He was also banned from driving for 15 months and ordered to undertake 300 hours of unpaid work.

Despite being born with one arm, Mr Roberts joined Ormskirk Golf Club when he was 11 and was encouraged to take up the sport seriously.

Later becoming a member of Hurlston Hall Golf Club, he made it to the World One Armed Golf Championship finals in 1977.

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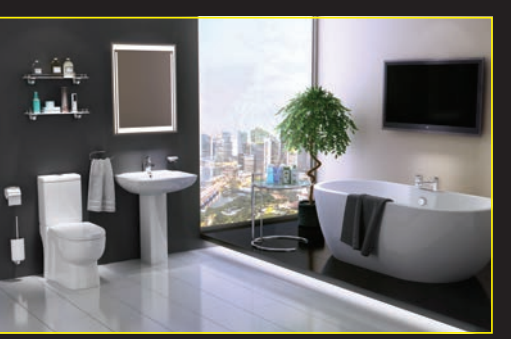

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Rosebud fund to deliver £11.25m boost to businesses in county

LANCASHIRE County Council has selected investment specialist GC Business Finance (GCBF) to deliver its £11.25m Rosebud business finance fund to growing businesses in the county.

Under the new funding package, GCBF will oversee Rosebud loans from £10,000 to £300,000 for businesses in Lancashire over the next five years.

Rosebud aims to create around 150 new jobs per year and will focus on sectors such as aerospace, advanced manufacturing, digital and creative, energy and environment, health innovation and financial and professional services.

County councillor Michael Green, Lancashire's cabinet member for economic development, environment and planning, said: "Over the last 30 years Rosebud has helped thousands of businesses across Lancashire to expand by tapping into finance to create new jobs, move premises and invest in technology.

"We're incredibly pleased to be able to allocate a further £11.25m to support growing Lancashire businesses to achieve their growth aspirations. This will lead to new jobs being created, for the benefit of Lancashire residents."

Andy Walker, head of business growth and innovation at the county council, added: "GC Business Finance already works closely with the Access 2 Finance service in Lancashire and has strong relationships with local businesses and the professional services community.

"It will help provide a seamless transition for the delivery of Rosebud finance, helping businesses create employment opportunities, especially the graduate level jobs that can help us retain talent in Lancashire."

Established in 2002, GC Business Finance provides a range of alternative finance options for growing businesses that have been unable to obtain funding through a mainstream lender.

Pictured unveiling the new funding package are (left to right) Paul Breen, Andy Walker and Chris Hutchison, head of lending at GC Business Finance.

It delivers more than £60m in finance to over 5,000 small and medium-sized enterprises each year.

Paul Breen, director of GC Business Finance, commented: "Lancashire is a strong and vibrant economy and home to a vast number of successful businesses. However, some companies struggle to access funding through traditional means which is where Rosebud can play a vital role in helping them achieve growth.

"While we already deliver funding solutions in Lancashire, being able to offer Rosebud finance will add further value and capacity to the support we can offer to Lancashire businesses. We look forward to getting the Rosebud funds out to market and stimulating further economic growth."

GC Business Finance's Lancashire team will work alongside Lancashire County Developments Ltd, part of the council's economic development service, to provide finance to Lancashire businesses.

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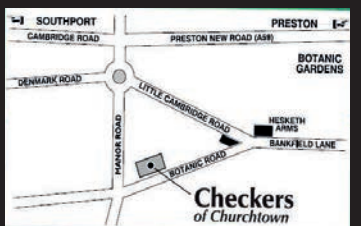

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Hospital trust to recruit 100 more nursing and healthcare staff

Extra £1m made available for staff investment after delivery of 'challenging' budget last year

THE Southport and Ormskirk Hospitals NHS Trust is set to recruit 100 more nurses, and healthcare assistants.

Following a £1m investment, the trust is holding a recruitment event for new nursing staff on Tuesday, July 30 between 5 and 8pm in the Clinical Education Centre at Southport Hospital.

Roles available at this are for band five registered nurses and student nurses soon to qualify. The trust is especially keen to speak to those wanting to return to the organisation, looking for flexible work patterns and anyone keen for a rotational post.

There will be a separate event to recruit healthcare assistants in August.

The Southport and Ormskirk Hospitals NHS Trust is recruiting 100 more nurses and healthcare staff.

Trust chief executive, Silas Nicholls, said "We are delighted to be in a position to invest an extra £1m on nursing staff over the next 12 months. This additional funding comes as a result of delivering a challenging budget last year. Every pound we save through being more efficient is one pound back to spend on patient care."

During the recruitment event, teams will be on hand to answer questions about different departments and what it is like to work at the trust.

Advice will be available about career development and training and NHS professionals will also be on hand to help those looking for temporary roles with the nursing bank.

Anyone interested can attend the event between 5 and 8pm on a drop-in basis, or you can apply online beforehand at www.southportandormskirk.nhs.uk/working-with-us/vacancies/, where you can also see other roles available at the trust.

Director of nursing, midwifery and therapies, Juliette Cosgrove, added: "We find recruitment events like this make the job application process easier for busy nurses or students. You can just pop along for an hour or so and potentially go home with a job offer.

"We are in a much stronger position now than in recent years, with increased investment in staffing, facilities and our buildings, which will help us to improve our service to match increasing demands. We are keen to talk to nurses in the area about the opportunities ahead for our trust and staff."

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Police urge public to hand in guns and ammunition

Ormskirk one of six stations in county taking part in nationwide surrender

PEOPLE in Lancashire are being urged to hand in guns and ammunition as part of a two-week nationwide firearms 'surrender' which started on Saturday (July 20).

During the surrender period weapons can be handed in at six police stations in the county, including Ormskirk.

Although firearms incidents are low in Lancashire compared to some other areas, officers say even one incident is one too many.

It is believed some people may hold firearms in innocence or ignorance of their illegality - for example, a stun gun-type device or pepper spray bought on-line - or they may have older items in their homes which have been overlooked or forgotten.

However, these can still be lethal if they get into the wrong hands so officers are encouraging people to take this opportunity to dispose of any firearms or ammunition they may have, whatever their age.

Surrendering unwanted, unlicensed weapons avoids the risk of them becoming involved in criminality and means that members of the community can dispose of firearms in a safe place.

Anyone handing over firearms will not face prosecution for the illegal possession upon surrender and can remain anonymous.

Inspector Nigel Barraclough from Lancashire Constabulary's tactical operations department, said: "We want as many weapons as possible and would encourage people to use this opportunity to hand them in. We'd also encourage anyone who knows about weapons being kept illegally to tell us anonymously where they are and potentially help save a life.

"One weapon off the streets is one less that can be used to harm or threaten our communities. We will use all of the powers and information available to us to locate this criminality and put a stop to it for good."

Weapons and ammunition should be surrendered at the designated local police stations but people are advised to check opening times first by visiting Lancashire.police/uk. Anyone physically unable to get to a station can call 101 for advice.

If you know of people involved in illegal firearms you can call Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111, report it online at Lancashire.police.uk/report it or call 101.

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County council pledge to act on roadside hedge 'safety hazard'

Report by **Kenny Parker**

LANCASHIRE County Council has pledged to contact the owners of overhanging private hedges which some residents claim are causing a safety hazard by obstructing walkways in Aughton.

A number of Champion readers have contacted us to complain about overgrown hedges which, they say, force pedestrians to walk in the road risking being hit by vehicles.

John Brown of Eskdale Avenue sent us a photo showing a pavement opposite the Royal Oak Pub in Liverpool Road, Aughton, which he said illustrated the problem.

He said: "God forbid if I was in a wheelchair or I had my grandchild in her buggy with me as I would have to take a short stroll on the road!

"Before someone is injured or killed, could the 'mighty ones' at West Lancashire Borough Council or Lancashire County Council address the problem and the general situation regarding out-of-control vegetation in the area?"

David Palin of Springfield Road, also got in touch to say that he was unable to walk on the pavement near to his home because of gutter weeds and overgrown hedgerows.

An overhanging hedgerow on Springfield Road, Aughton.

He said: "In places you cannot see the footpath so you have to walk in the road. And in some places there's only one pathway so you can't use the other side of the road."

Impression

And he added: "Springfield Road is a main approach into Aughton so what sort of impression will a visitor get?

"This is a middle-class, semi-rural area but it looks like you are approaching a Third World country run by government despots!"

A spokesman for Lancashire County Council, which is responsible for the maintenance of roadside hedges, said: "These hedges are privately-owned and we will contact the owners to ask them to cut them back. In circumstances like this we can intervene, if necessary if the owner of the hedge does not respond, by cutting the hedge ourselves and charging them for the work.

"We're sorry that some areas may look a bit untidy at the moment, however spraying of the weeds in the Aughton area is due to start."

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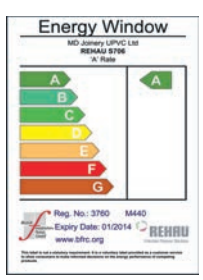

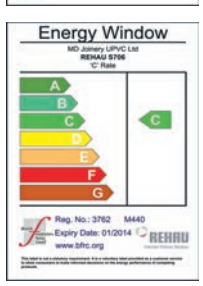

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Tickets on sale now for Rainbow House fundraising ball

Report by **Danielle Thompson**

TICKETS are on sale now for an annual fundraising dance in aid of Mawdesley-based Rainbow House which provides life-changing therapies for children and young adults with physical and neurological disabilities.

The charity's third Paradise Ball will be held at the Ambassador Suite at Formby Hall Golf Resort on Saturday, September 21.

Organised by Lisa and Paul Maddison, whose daughter Katie has attended conductive education at Rainbow House since she was a baby, the aim is to raise much-needed funds for the charity which relies on the generosity and support of individuals, the local community, events, grants from trusts and corporate donations.

Now aged 12, Katie was born with an undiagnosed global brain disorder which results in severe and multiple disabilities. Rainbow House has provided Katie and many others with the skills and confidence to achieve goals no one would ever have thought possible.

This year's event has been boosted by a £2,000 donation by Luke Martin, managing director of Total Facility Solutions Ltd. (TFS) in Liverpool, an independent facilities management providers.

The TFS Group will also provide further funding during the evening, together with support from clients and staff, which they expect will at least double the initial figure.

Luke, a 35-year-old father-of-four from Formby, who recently visited Rainbow House to meet Katie and to see the work that the charity does, said: "An integral part of our success story is measured by our ability to continue to support charities across the region.

Lisa Maddison (left) and daughter Katie with Rainbow House staff Rachel Holland and Zara Rimmer, and Luke Martin

"Rainbow House is an amazing charity that receives no Government funding and is solely reliant on self-funding in order to continue the wonderful support they provide to children and young adults with complex disabilities.

"As a father of four children and an avid family man, it was paramount to me that we help the Rainbow House continue its amazing work. We are delighted and proud to provide corporate support.

"There are a few tables left for this year's event which will be hosted by John Nelson and the tickets are £45 each which includes a welcome drink, four-course meal and music from The Wickermen.

"A group of brave male guests will be raising extra funds by performing a dance routine to 'Copacabana' on the night.

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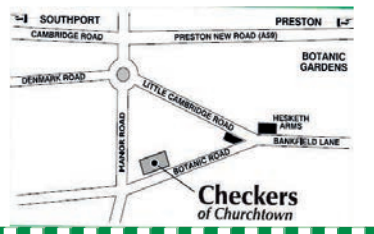

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Surely we have the right to challenge the status quo and not simply 'get on with it'?

RE: the recent letters by Dave B and Gavin Fulton about the Conservative Party leadership contest.

Dave seems to have misconstrued my point about the age of the Conservative Party members.

The point I was making was that 50% or more of the members are older than 55, whereas in the national population as a whole this number is only 30%. It is not proportionate and therefore not representative of the British people.

And regarding Gavin's letter, I should wish to clarify that, although I do fully understand how our voting system works, it does not mean that it is relevant or appropriate today.

Gavin seems to think that we should simply accept this blatant injustice, but I was under the impression that in this country our democratic rights allow us to question the status quo, not simply get on with it.

We are enduring such political turmoil because people are disillusioned with the system and have had their voices ignored for too long. The Brexit vote arose as a result of these sentiments and signalled a desire for change, but perhaps that change should come to the antiquated political traditions in place today.

When a sitting MP leaves their post, a by-election takes place in which all voters in the constituency get a say. Of course, this situation is slightly different but why can't we adopt a similar system when electing a new Prime Minister?

Gavin's assumption about my age was correct. I am 16 and the man who will be the next Prime Minister will have a significant impact on my life in the ensuing years. How is it right, then, that people such as myself should not control the fate of this country?

Yes, Conservative members should have a vote on the matter, but the rules should be changed to allow the rest of the country a say on their own future as well.

Joseph Caygill, Ormskirk.

It's better the Tory party should tear itself to pieces than the UK

MR Fulton's letter (July 10) is extremely patronising towards Joseph Caygill's earlier letter on the state of our democracy, whereby the most crucial decision in our last 50 years could be decided by an unrepresentative 1% of our voting population.

This clique of Tory party members is set to choose our own self-centred Trump look-alike, easy with lies and with an appalling political and personal track record.

I can only hope his latest flagrant display of greater loyalty towards Trump than to his civil servants, such as Kim Darroch, will finally make the Tory clique realise Mr. B. Johnson to be totally unworthy.

My greater hope is that the Tory party will finally tear itself to pieces before the United Kingdom itself splits. Voters will prefer to turn to parties such as the Green Party or Lib Dems, who are united behind the desire not to see Britain spilt up and be economically devastated by Brexit.

John Watt, Ormskirk.

Rumours of The Dollymops' demise have been exaggerated

I WOULD like to reassure activities co-ordinators in care homes and groups for the older members of the community, that contrary to the rumours being circulated, our voluntary organisation, The Dollymops is indeed still up and running and is very busy with our latest show, *Those Were The Days*.

People attending the show in the Tarleton Bowling Club in late June were delighted with our entertainment and they will affirm that we are most definitely not yet dead!

However, we are still wishing to recruit a male and female member for our group who is available in the afternoons, so if any of your readers can sing in tune, has a great sense of humour and doesn't mind hard work, please contact Dave or Anne on 01772 812845.

The Dollymops' aim is to make a difference by bringing a lively show to those people who are not always able to travel to theatres. And whilst we do enjoy ourselves, I should stress that having fun for our ourselves is a consequence of having always put our customers' needs first.

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Anne Wynne-Jones,
The Dollymops, Tarleton.

Trams instead of trains would just mean an extra, unwanted journey

I AM writing in response to Cuthbert Jackson's letter (July 17) claiming that bringing a heavy rail into Skelmersdale would be a waste of money, which filled me with disbelief.

The idea of a light rail tramway to Up Holland railway station makes little sense when you consider it would mean an added journey and connection to travellers. The new railway would be a service that mainly benefited non car-users, people who already use public transport and they want as few connections as possible when travelling.

Catching a train from a central railway station in Skelmersdale to Liverpool, and possibly Wigan, by direct route, is far more preferable than an added journey with resulting connection in using a tramway.

Therefore, I believe it's sensible for the town to be connected using the heavy rail option.

William Clarke, by email.

PICTURE of the week

THIS picture of the Queen Mary ocean liner leaving Liverpool en route to New York last week was submitted by reader Kevin Hilton from Aughton Park and shot from Clieves Hills, Aughton.

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Although we cannot publish ALL the photos we receive, we do appreciate your contributions, thank you.

Thanks for your help, folks

I WOULD like to say thank-you to everyone who helped my daughter on Monday, July 15 when she had a seizure in the car as we were travelling along Prescot Road in Ormskirk.

Thanks to the police medic who got her out of the car and put her into the recovery position; the two nurses who were driving past and stopped to help; the two teachers who ran up from St Bede's school; and the lady from the house that we stopped outside.

You were all amazing and I'm pleased to say that Megan is fine.

Helen Wilson, Aughton.

Reporting potholes online worked for me

WITH reference to G.W's letter (July 17) about potholes and their disbelief that the public are being asked to help identify them.

I actually can believe the council are asking for help in reporting sites in the area. How else are they going to know about them?

I read the original article myself, used the web page to list two holes in my road and three days later they were both filled. I would say that was pretty efficient and probably quicker than writing to the local paper too.

Ken Adams, by email

● IF you've got a view on a topic of local or national interest which you would like to share with the readers of the Champion, why not drop us a line?

Letters can be posted or emailed to the respective addresses listed at the top of this page. They should be concise, preferably no more than 350 words, and include the sender's name, address and contact details, although not necessarily for publication.

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The editor reserves the right to edit all items submitted for favour of publication.

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New leisure hub plan deserves support not criticism

TO the 'Concerned Ormskirk Resident' objecting to Church Fields being used for the replacement to Park Pool, I have to disagree with your suggestion of using the old Hants Lane college as a supposedly 'cheaper option'.

Firstly, the council does not own that site, so they would need to buy it. They would then have to demolish all the buildings at great cost, to allow the new pool and facilities to be constructed.

Finally, Hants Lane is a small road just off the town's busy one-way system, so siting the pool there would add to already congested roads.

In contrast, the Church Fields site is council-owned, easily accessible from the A59 (County Road) and far easier to construct on with no existing buildings present.

And regarding any fears that the existing Park Pool would not be converted back to parkland to compensate for the loss of the field, that would be easily resolved by a planning condition which would be legally enforceable and so would commit the council to ensure it happens.

I, for one, fully support the well thought-out plans, and instead of making undeliverable demands and criticisms I would encourage other residents to support the council in delivering what would be a hugely valuable asset for the town.

A Realistic Ormskirk Resident.

Spectacular Green Fayre wows the crowds again

AN estimated 10,000 visitors flocked to Beacon Country Park at the weekend for the return of the Green Fayre.

Organised by West Lancs Council's Parks and Countryside Ranger Service, the free-to-enter extravaganza once again proved a huge success with a host of attractions to entertain and educate.

A mixed bag of weather made for a tricky weekend in the arena, but fabulous displays by Horus Birds of Prey, the West Lancashire Dog Display Team and the show's resident Viking horde, Regia Anglorum wowed the crowds and kept everybody entertained.

The Working Woodlands area drew large crowds of spectators who enjoyed seeing a wide range of local craftsfolk showing both modern and contemporary green woodworking and metalworking skills.

Visitors could also learn how a variety of traditional machinery is used and see how woodlands can be sustainably-worked to produce all kinds of tools and everyday items.

The show"s marquees provided welcome shelter during showers and visitors were treated to a full line-up of live music to enjoy while sampling some of the fabulous cuisine and refreshments available to buy from a range of local caterers.

There were also a range of craft and charity stalls and activities to enjoy and support.

Meanwhile the fayre's farm area offered an opportunity to get up close to a range of domestic and farmyard animals and learn about the work involved in looking after them. There were also a range of animal charities present supporting both local and international projects.

Above: One of the groups who took part in the 2019 Green Fayre.
Left: Some of the estimated 10,000 visitors who flocked to the event.

For the more adventurous there was a chance to have a go at a wide range of outdoor pursuits including caving, climbing, archery, axe-throwing, donkey rides and bushcraft skills, and, of course, there were also bouncy castles and traditional fairground rides.

The showground was alive with people throughout the weekend with visitors and stallholders alike commenting on the family atmosphere and 'buzz' generated by the fayre.

Councillor Yvonne Gagen, the council's cabinet member for leisure, said: "Once again the Green Fayre lived up to its reputation as the area's biggest and best free countryside event, bursting with activities for all the family.

"I would like to thank all the officers and volunteers who work so hard to organise such a marvellous event for our local community and for people visiting our borough to enjoy. Each year the show goes from strength to strength and I for one can't wait for Green Fayre 2020!"

Residents who have a craft or stall and would like to be involved in next year's show can register their interest by emailing greenfayre@westlancs.gov.uk or by telephoning 01695 622794.

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Nobody likes to think about their own mortality and this is often cited as the main reason why most people do not put in place a Will. The reality is though, that if you do put a Will in place, then on your death your estate may end up in the hands of people who you would never dream of benefitting and, although rare, in the hands of the Crown.

Putting in place a Will can also assist with Inheritance Tax planning and while the rules relating to Inheritance Tax have changed favourably in the last few years, with the introduction of the Residential Nil Rate Band for qualifying estates, the reality is that the Inheritance Tax allowance has remained frozen at £325,000 since 6th April 2009, over 10 years. Over that period inflation has increased by more than 36%. For the previous financial year, HMRC collected £5.4 billion in Inheritance Tax receipts with this expected to increase in future years as property prices rise.

There are also steps you can take in a Will to help protect your estate from potential future care costs. By using trusts, assets can be protected for future beneficiaries. The average costs of a year in a care home can easily reach well over £50,000.

When thinking about a Will, you should also put in place a Lasting Power of Attorney to enable people you have nominated to look after your finances and welfare if you cannot do so yourself. This covers if you were to develop Alzheimer's or dementia in future, as well as other circumstances. If you do not have a Lasting Power of Attorney in place beforehand, you cannot put one in place once you have lost the capacity to do so and this can cause a lot of problems for you and your family.

When putting in place a Will and Lasting Power of Attorney, the advice of a qualified solicitor should always be sought. It is all too common, with so much information available online, for people to try and do their own Will and Lasting Power of Attorney only for mistakes to be made which can lead to family disputes and financial consequences.

Therefore, if you want to have any say on where your estate ends up, want to make sure that as much of your estate as possible ends up with your family and want to have some say over who looks after your finances and welfare if you can't, then you should put in place a Will and Lasting Power of Attorney, prepared by a qualified and regulated solicitor.

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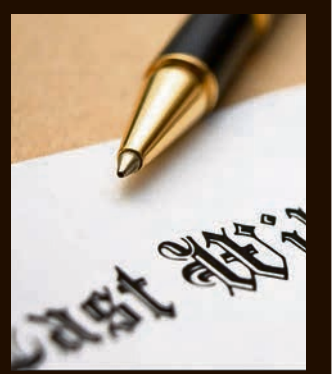

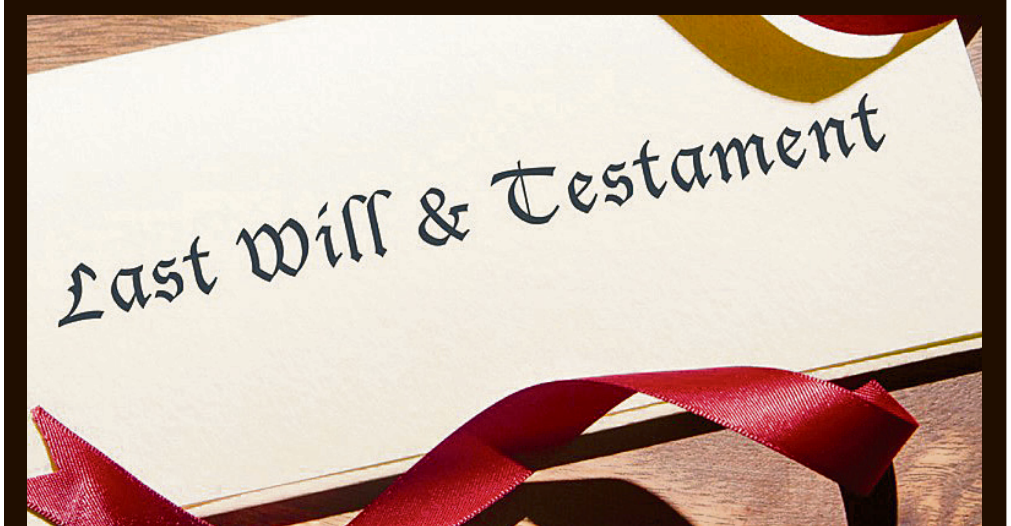

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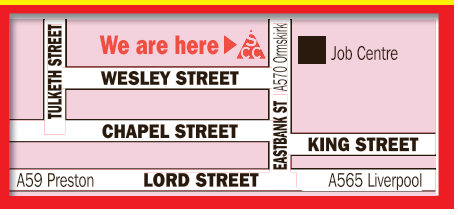

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Mary Houghton, 87, was nominated by her friend and colleague, Mary Paget, for the competition hosted by the team at Co-Op Brookfields Funeral Care based in Shakespeare Street, Southport.

We received entries from across Sefton and West Lancs, but Mary, who is still working well into her eighth decade at Tudor Bank Nursing Home on Beach Road in Southport, was chosen for her 'inspirational commitment to the workplace'.

Mary, along with her friend and colleague, Maureen Stoker, was picked up in a chauffeur-driven limousine and taken to the Auberge Brasserie where they were treated to a three-course meal.

Georgina Nolan, funeral director at Brookfields Funeral Care, also presented Mary with a bouquet of flowers, courtesy of Sweeneys Florist on Bispham Road, before Mary and Maureeen were taken back home in the limousine. The competition was held to mark Carers Week, an annual initiative to raise awareness and recognise the huge contribution of carers.

Report by **Danielle Thompson**

In her nomination, Mary Paget, wrote: "Mary has been a carer for over 40 years, both in the NHS and now at Tudor Bank.

"She is outstanding and truly possesses all the qualities of someone you would want to care for you or your loved ones. She is kind-hearted and nothing is too much trouble for her. She'll hold your hand when you feel lost or sad, dry your tears and be there with you, she will also dance with you and make you laugh with her Irish wit!

"She is inspirational and brings commitment to the workplace. She supports younger staff to enjoy what they are doing through her example. She has high standards, providing dignity and self-esteem with genuine human kindness for all and is highly respected by those who work with her.

"Last year she had a serious fall resulting in a fractured hip and wrist and spent months recovering with just one aim in mind, to get back to work!

"At 87, she takes 12-hour shifts in her stride and says that she will only give up caring when she is put in a box!"

Mary is pictured (front left) at the Auberge Brasserie with Georgina Nolan, funeral director at Brookfields Funeral Care, close friend Maureen Stoker (front right) and Joshy Abraham, manager of Tudor Bank Nursing Home.

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ONE MAN and his dog
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E-scooters are a hazard - both to the users and other people!

I READ the other day about a young woman who has become the first person in Britain to be killed riding one of those e-scooters when she was in collision with a lorry.

And the following day a 14-year-old boy received serious head injuries when he crashed his e-scooter into a bus stop.

I know little about these e-scooters, but I did see one a week or two ago being ridden along the pavement in Lord Street, Southport at, I would estimate, something like 10mph.

At the time I thought the thing looked dangerous - its little wheels could so obviously be knocked sideways by any irregularity of the pavement - and on a public road the danger is far worse. What would an e-scooter do confronted by a pothole?

I understand it is illegal to use an e-scooter either on a public pavement or on a road - yet these costly (around £200) accidents waiting to happen can be bought at reputable High Street stores. Some of these machines can do up to 30mph, though you'd have to be a braver (and sillier) man than I am to try it.

Not surprisingly friends of 35-year-old Emily Hartridge are demanding a ban on their use and sale - a no-brainer as far as I am concerned.

But just as disturbing were some of the letters about this tragic incident that appeared. One tried to compare e-scooters with pedal and electrically-assisted cycles though the difference in wheel sizes alone make this comparison ridiculous.

Others twittered on about how environmentally-friendly these machines are. So is walking, and very soon electric cars and even buses will become eco-friendly too.

And since users of e-scooters are not officially allowed on the road, their users have no legislation to compel them to use crash helmets or be insured (which I reckon push-bikers should be as well).

Yet ridden at speed on a pavement they could cause serious damage to property, not to mention to anyone unfortunate enough to be hit by one of these machines.

I don't want to be a spoilsport or a wet blanket - if I was a 10-year-old and was offered an e-scooter as a present I would jump at the chance. But if I were a responsible parent I certainly would never have given one to my son or daughter, unless there was a secure area, away from people and vehicles, where they could ride reasonably safely (and also wear protective clothing, including a helmet).

I remember some years ago now when chopper bikes became popular and quite often a scourge on pavements so far as ordinary pedestrians were concerned, that I advocated special areas set aside for their use, complete with slopes and bumps to provide excitement.

The problem then was, of course, not really finding the land to create such adventure courses, but the cost to the site owner of insurance for its users.

The same drawback applied to off-road motorbikes too. At one time they became a major nuisance locally and one responsible local landowner offered the use of a field for off-roaders to enjoy themselves in.

Again, this philanthropic plan fell through when the landowner discovered just how much insurance cover he would need to provide - and the cost of it.

Things like that are simply a fact of modern life and it's no use rattling on about how e-scooters are fashionably 'green' if they are also inherently lethal.

Mind you, what hope have we really got that pointing out that using e-scooters on public roads and pavements is illegal? So is the riding of bicycles on pavements and cyclists are also supposed to have 'an audible warning of approach' - it used to be called a cycle bell, but apparently such a thing is far too naff for thousands of would-be Tour de France cyclists today.

Perhaps if e-scooters were limited to a maximum speed of perhaps 5mph they could (subject to suitable clothing) be treated as a fun thing for children, But as it is they are a menace to society - and those who choose to ride them.

RSPCA calls for mandatory licensing and stricter control of airguns in bid to stamp out animal attacks

CHARITY officials are calling for mandatory licensing of airguns in a bid to protect animals from being shot.

Figures released by the RSPCS revealed that nationally there were 767 calls about airgun attacks on animals last year, including 19 in Lancashire. The majority were about attacks on cats, although dogs, pigeons and foxes were also commonly targeted.

As well as mandatory licensing, the RSPCA is calling for a range of measures to tackle the problem of airguns. The charity's chief inspectorate officer, Dermot Murphy, said: "During last year alone we received 767 reports of attacks where airguns were used on animals across England and Wales. Animals are suffering horrendous injuries and often dying as a result of airgun attacks and these weapons are also potentially extremely dangerous for people.

"Every one of the 258 pet cats and 73 dogs deliberately killed or maimed last year by people using airguns represents a devastated family. And the cruelty continues, with large numbers of wild mammals and birds, including foxes, squirrels, swans, gulls and pigeons, targeted as well. We believe airgun misuse is happening on a large scale and what we see at the RSPCA could be the tip of the iceberg.

"We believe that stricter controls are long overdue. Mandatory licensing would be an effective start, but we also need improved enforcement of airgun legislation, as well as better, more targeted education and explanation of the law for those buying one."

Nearly half of vets who replied to a British Veterinary Association survey in 2016 said they had treated cats which had been victims of airgun crime and nearly half those incidents had proved fatal.

Mr Murphy added: "Animals continue to be maimed and killed every year so the RSPCA is calling on the Government to bring in tighter restrictions such as licensing, which we know worked in Scotland, resulting in a 75% drop in animal-related complaints in its first year."

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Edge Hill music students record first 'homemade' album

Project realises lecturer's vision for university's state-of-the art facilities to showcase talent

MUSIC production students at Edge Hill University have produced their first album using the university's own state-of-the-art recording facilities.

The compilation album, called *Seeds*, features Ormskirk singer and guitarist David Hughes, 24, working under the guise Charity Shop Pop, with his self-penned track *Charlotte*.

David's track is among 13 original compositions from a host of vocalists and musicians undertaking their three-year programme at the Ormskirk campus.

The project realises the vision of Gary Westhead, senior lecturer in music sound and audio production and programme leader for music production, to provide a showcase for students while also offering valuable studio and recording experience.

He said: "The album is a showcase of the students' work that demonstrates their skills in composing, performing and recording music.

"As such, it is a valuable tool for them as they enter the job market, as well as an expression of their creativity, commitment, enthusiasm and determination."

The tracks were recorded at Edge Hill's own state-of-the-art studios and also at the Parr Street Studios in Liverpool, famous for hosting an eclectic range of artists including Coldplay, the Spice Girls, Justin Bieber and Rihanna.

The album is available to listen to at www.edgehill.ac.uk/news/2019/05/ba-hons-music-production-playlist/.

Meanwhile the music of David Hughes is also available to hear at www.soundoud.com by searching Charity Shop Pop.

David Hughes, performing as Charity Shop Pop at the Sound City Music Festival in Liverpool.

David's music, which is described as indie-influenced 80s synth pop, has featured on local radio and has been released as singles on the university's own record label, Label Recordings.

He has also played the music festival, Liverpool Sound City.

Others from the local area to feature on the *Seeds* album include Sam D'Auvin from Crosby on piano and keyboards, Patrick Ball from Southport on bass and Sam Davidson, also from Southport on piano.

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Pupils get 'hands-on' experience of work on a busy building site

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PRIMARY school pupils were given an insight into what goes on at a busy building site - the dangers and the career opportunities - when they visited a neighbouring new development.

Infants and juniors from Lathom Park Primary, along with staff members, were invited to go along to the Lathom Pastures estate in Firswood Road, Skelmersdale by builder Bellway Homes.

The educational visit comprised a health and safety-focused introduction to the residential development and included an overview of the different job roles and processes that go into the construction of the new homes.

Pupils from Lathom Park Primary with Bellway assistant site manager Anthony Doyle.

Accompanied by Bellway's assistant site manager, Anthony Doyle, the children were invited to don hard hats and high visibility vests for a tour of the perimeter of the site where they witnessed the different tradesmen and bigger pieces of machinery in action.

Along the way, Anthony stressed the importance of health and safety, highlighting the many dangers that the children would face if they strayed onto a working construction site.

And the visit concluded with pupils being given the chance to try their hands at bricklaying by creating a small wall.

Headteacher at the Hall Lane school, Carol McIlwain, said: "The visit to Lathom Pastures was a super experience for the children as they were able to gain an appreciation of the build process and see a number of different careers in action.

"It was also very useful to highlight the many hazards on working developments, especially as this one is so close to our school. We are very grateful to Bellway and I'm sure the children will talk about it for many months to come."

Anthony Doyle commented: "It was a pleasure to welcome the group. The children were very well behaved and showed a real interest in the development taking place. I hope we've inspired some of them to consider construction as a future career once they leave school."

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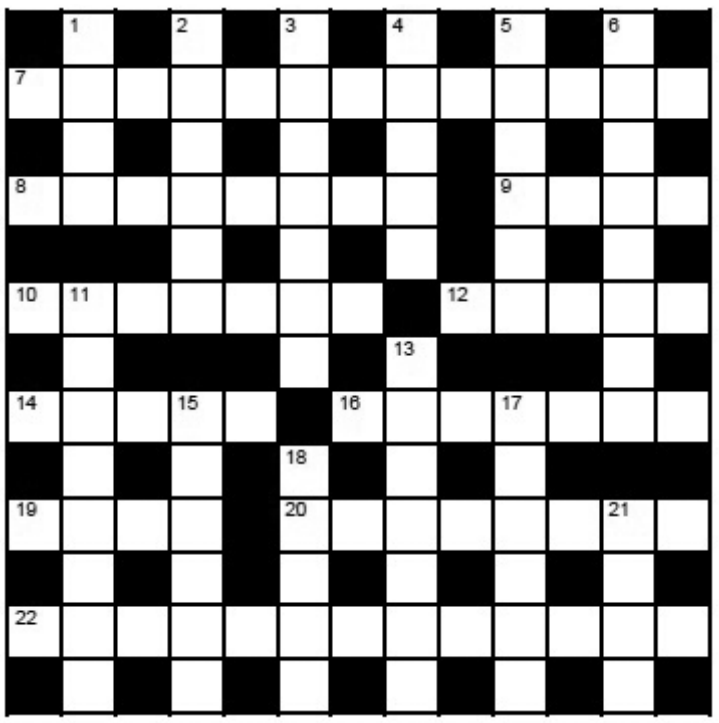

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ACROSS

7. A computer system modelled on the human brain and nervous system (6, 7)
8. Scenery and properties designed and arranged for a particular scene in a play (5, 3)
9. Kind, sort (4)
10. Metal or wooden object hinged to a door and rapped by visitors to gain entry (7)
12. To fire a bullet (5)
14. Midday meal (5)
16. Price paid for a trip on EasyJet for example (7)
19. A wild pig (4
20. Work-shy (8)
22. Feature of a room, usually made up of a single large pane of glass, giving an extensive view (7, 6)

DOWN

1. Animal flesh eaten as food (4)
2. Calamitous; causing great sorrow (6)
3. Group of similar things positioned or occurring closely together; bunch (7)
4. Large and heavy (5)
5. Device for making and breaking the connection in an electric circuit (6)
6. Hinged or removable panel in a floor, ceiling, or roof (8)
11. Mental disorder resulting in high levels of anxiety and unreasonable fears (8)
13. Take the weight off your feet (3, 4)
15. Member of the clergy engaged as assistant to a vicar or parish priest (6)
17. Cat (6)
18. Jewelled ornamental band worn on the front of a woman's hair (5)
21. Midday (4)

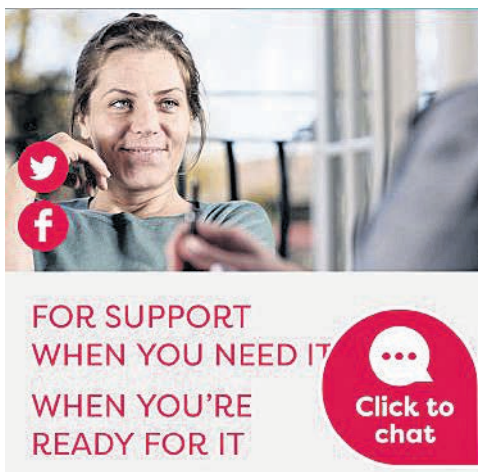
Online chat service launched to support victims of crime

LANCASHIRE Victim Services has launched an online live chat service offering people a new way to find out about the support available and how to get the help and advice they may need.

It is available now on their website, lancashirevictimservices.org.

Funded by the county's police and crime commissioner Clive Grunshaw, Lancashire Victim Services offers emotional support and practical help following any type of crime with specialist services available for victims of domestic abuse, rape and sexual assault, hate crime, and young victims up to the age of 18.

Paul Cartwright, operations manager for Lancashire Victim Services, said: "Not everyone finds it easy to pick up the phone and speak to someone they don't know. The chat offers people a different way to contact us to find out more about how we can help and they can do so anonymously if they prefer.



The online live chat service for victims of crime in the county is now up and running.

Positive impact

"It is proving popular already. During the first week we were able to support a victim of domestic abuse and secured a place in a local shelter for her. This happened within 24 hours of her using the chat to speak to one of our advisers online.

"Taking that first step to ask for support is difficult for many people and providing an additional way to do so which some people may find easier is a great step forward.

"People can still contact us over the phone, through our online form or via email, but I hope that the option to use the live chat will give even more people the confidence to get in touch."

Commissioner Mr Grunshaw added: "Over the past year Lancashire Victim Services received over 67,000 referrals from across the county. From speaking to victims I know just how much of a difference the service can make and what a positive impact it can have on people's lives.

"Bringing the support online and offering a digital way for people to engage with the service directly is really positive. Anything we can do to make that first step easier for victims of crime is a step in the right direction and I would encourage anyone in need of support to get in touch with Lancashire Victim Services in whichever way they feel most comfortable."

The new live chat is available Monday to Friday between 9am and 5pm. Anyone affected by crime can contact Lancashire Victim Services by accessing the web chat at lancashirvictimservices.org, by calling 0300 323 0085 or by emailing info@lancashirevictimservices.org.

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Friendship group's 'come and join us' call

MEMBERS of a West Lancs group which aims to help people who are feeling lonely or isolated are inviting newcomers to join their ranks.

The Banks Social Group meets from 10.30am to noon on Thursdays at Banks Community Centre in Hoole Lane to enjoy a cuppa and a chat.

Member, Sue Barker, said: "The group was initially set up just over 12 months ago to help people who were feeling lonely and isolated.

"People who come to the group have said how much of a difference it has made to their lives, as they now have a new circle of friends who they enjoy meeting each week.

"The group also enjoys other activities, such as going to the cinema and theatre, and we have been to Lytham for a day out and regularly go out for lunch .

"If you would like to know more then why not come and join us on a Thursday or give me a call on 07824 097738. You would be made most welcome and we would love to see you!"

Families urged to talk about organ donation as law is set to change

WITH the law about organ donation set to change in 2020, families in Lancashire are being urged to make and share their organ donation decision

According to the Organ Donation and Transplantation Activity Report 2018/19 published last week, more people than ever before across the UK - 1,600 - donated their organs after death last year. In Lancashire 30 people gave the gift of life, by donating organs after death.

However, the report also shows that across the country fewer people died in circumstances where they were able to donate - 225 fewer than in 2017/18. And officials at NHS Blood and Transplant say this means it's more important than ever that every person who wants and is able to donate their organs after death, is given the opportunity to do so.

Sadly, in Lancashire over the last five years, 61 people died before they received the organ they desperately needed.

Organ donation is relatively rare in the UK, because although around half a million people die each year, only around 1% do so in circumstances which allow organs to be donated.

But from spring 2020, the law around organ and tissue donation in England is changing and all adults will be considered as having agreed to donate their own organs when they die unless they record a decision not to donate or are in one of the excluded groups. These include under-18s, people who lack mental capacity, visitors to England, those not living here voluntarily and people who have lived here for less than 12 months before their death.

Anthony Clarkson, director of organ donation and transplantation at NHS Blood and Transplant.

Adults covered by the change will still have a choice whether they want to be an organ donor and their families will still be involved before donation goes ahead.

Director of organ donation and transplantation at NHS Blood and Transplant, Anthony Clarkson said: "We're incredibly grateful to all the courageous donors and their families across the country, who helped us to save so many lives last year.

"Organ donation is the only hope for many desperately ill people. We know many families feel a sense of pride and comfort from their decision to let their final act to be saving lives through organ donation.

"No lifesaving transplant would be possible without the generosity of every donor and their families, who give their support and say 'yes' to organ donation.

"There are 129 people in Lancashire waiting for a transplant now. Their only hope for a new life is that a family in their time of grief will make the wonderful decision to agree to organ donation.

"With the law around organ donation changing in England from next spring, we urge everyone to find out about the choices available to them, make their decision and share it with their family."

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Gingerbread Festival goes down a treat...

THE committee and members of Ormskirk Community Partnership (OCP) have thanked the people of Ormskirk and visitors for helping to make Gingerbread Festival 2019 another great success.

Many quarters came together to make it possible, they say, including the local retailers who left the organisers overwhelmed with offers of prizes for the free raffle.

More than 30 prizes were up for grabs in the draw, plus a donation from Church Street Jewellers who commissioned a bespoke silver Gingerbread Man pendant especially for this year's festival.

Although figures for how many attended are not yet available, the town centre was clearly packed for the occasion.

And members of the OCP stressed that such an enjoyable day would not have been possible without the invaluable help and assistance from the many groups that took part.

As well as significant assistance from West Lancs Council, other organisations were able to get involved including the local air cadets from 1026 (Ormskirk) Squadron ATC who were on hand to give out entry forms for the free raffle; younger children from Base Dance who entertained the crowds with their 'flash mob'; and new theatre company Short Scruffs (graduates of Edge Hill University) who performed their first play, The Jumper, to groups of enthralled children.

Ormskirk Community Partnership chairman, Dave Mutch, said: 'It was a great day, and we are pleased so many people went away happy. We're already looking forward to 2020!"

Members of the Ormskirk Partnership Committee at the Gingerbread Festival with Deputy Mayor and Mayoress of West Lancs, Councillor Terry Aldridge and Megan Aldridge, and town cryer Don Evans.

Crowds flocked to Ormskirk town centre for this year's Gingerbread Festival.

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Care trust welcomes positive feedback

HEALTH chiefs at Lancashire Care NHS Foundation Trust have welcomed survey results showing that feedback from service users, their carers, families and friends, is overwhelmingly positive.

The results of more than 7,100 Friends and Family Test (FFT) surveys completed during January to June this year showed that 96.3% of people who used a trust service as a patient, carer or relative would recommend it and the service they received.

Broken down, the results found that 98.7% of responders would recommend the Community & Wellbeing Network; 91.2% would recommend the Mental Health Network; and 94.5% would recommend the Children & Young People Network.

Julie Seed.

Deputy director of nursing and quality at the trust, Julie Seed, said: "The Friends and Family Test is instrumental in supporting the NHS to understand what is working well, what can be improved and how we can work together to drive service improvement for the people who use our services. It also provides the public with a voice to be able to feedback about their experience of care, be this positive or negative or somewhere in the middle.

"We know so many of our staff out there are working extremely hard to provide high-quality, compassionate care to our service users, however we are immensely proud to have reassurance of this through this year's FFT feedback."

MotorFest 'star' cars line up for preview of big day

A FANTASTIC line-up of cars will be on show in Ormskirk town centre on Saturday, July 27 for a preview of Ormskirk MotorFest 2019.

This year's event is scheduled for Sunday, August 25 when up to 300 cars and motorcycles from all eras of motoring on display in Coronation Park and town centre. And there will be a taste of what will be on offer when a selection of competition and classic vehicles are displayed on Moorgate, close to the Queens Head, on Saturday to officially launch the countdown to Ormskirk MotorFest 2019.

Meanwhile there are still some spaces in the annual Concours d'Elegance competition which will see some of the very best cars and motorcycles lined up in a special area in Coronation Park. To enter visit https://ormskirkmotorfest.com. Entries cost £15 and close on Sunday, August 11.

Organisers are also looking for vehicles to celebrate a number of significant motoring anniversaries taking place this year. These are the 100th anniversary of the first Bentley being built, the 70th birthday of the Jaguar XK120, the 60th birthday of the Mini and the 60th anniversary of the 1959 British Grand Prix at Aintree.

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War Horse is making a welcome return

JOEY the life-sized horse puppet from National Theatre's acclaimed production of War Horse visited Liverpool on Wednesday, July 17, ahead of the show coming to the Liverpool Empire Theatre at the end of the month.

Joey made an appearance at Liverpool Central Library in the morning to say hello to fans from schools across the city before heading out in the afternoon to visit some of the city's most iconic sights.

Pupils from St Nicholas, St Vincent De Paul, Pleasant Street and Ranworth Square Primary Schools were let in on some behind-the-scenes secrets from Resident Puppetry director, Gareth Aled before Joey trotted in to the library's Discover room to meet them all.

On his travels, Joey even lent a hand to some friends from Merseyside Police's Mounted Section and joined them on patrol in St George's Quarter.

Police Horses Silver and Jake welcomed Joey and posed happily for photographs to celebrate the show's return to the city and to raise awareness for the Stand Tall Foundation, which raises money to support the fantastic work of the Mounted Section.

War Horse, the unforgettable theatrical event based on Michael Morpurgo's beloved novel, will return to play the Liverpool Empire Theatre from July 31 to August 17 .

War Horse last played at the Liverpool Empire in November 2017 to record number of audiences.

Directed by Marianne Elliott and Tom Morris, Nick Stafford's adaptation of Michael Morpurgo's remarkable story of courage, loyalty and friendship, about a young boy called Albert and his horse Joey, set against the backdrop of the First World War is the most successful play in the National Theatre's history.

It features ground-breaking puppetry work by South Africa's Handspring Puppet Company, which brings breathing, galloping horses to life on stage.

War Horse Joey outside Liverpool Empire Theatre. Picture by Gareth Jones

Opera Viva members in concert.

Opera Viva's concert was a 'scintillating evening'

Review by **Ellen Campbell**

On Broadway
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WE were greeted by a glass of bubbly which put us in the mood right away to enjoy an evening of songs from many of the most famous musicals, performed by members of Opera Viva who treated the audience to a superb evening of entertainment.

The rich voices of the men singing There is nothing like a Dame and Steve Riordan's rendition of Ol' Man River were classic renditions and the ladies sang every bit as well, Pam Ashcroft receiving a standing ovation for her solo, Memory from Cats.

Kerry Firth and Freddie Ligertwood delighted us with Oh Happy We from Candide and there were medleys from Oklahoma! and Les Miserables.

Melvin Tay was welcomed as the company's new musical director and "old hand", David Palmer, was the producer. Artistic director was Viv Sharp and Robert Chesters provided the fine accompaniment.

Opera Viva's next performance is on Saturday, October 26 for their Gala Night. This is their 10th Annual Opera Concert with supper included and tickets are priced at £20. The meal starts at 6.30pm, and the concert at 8pm. Telephone 0151 558 1552 for more information.

Star rating: 8 out of 10. A scintillating evening.

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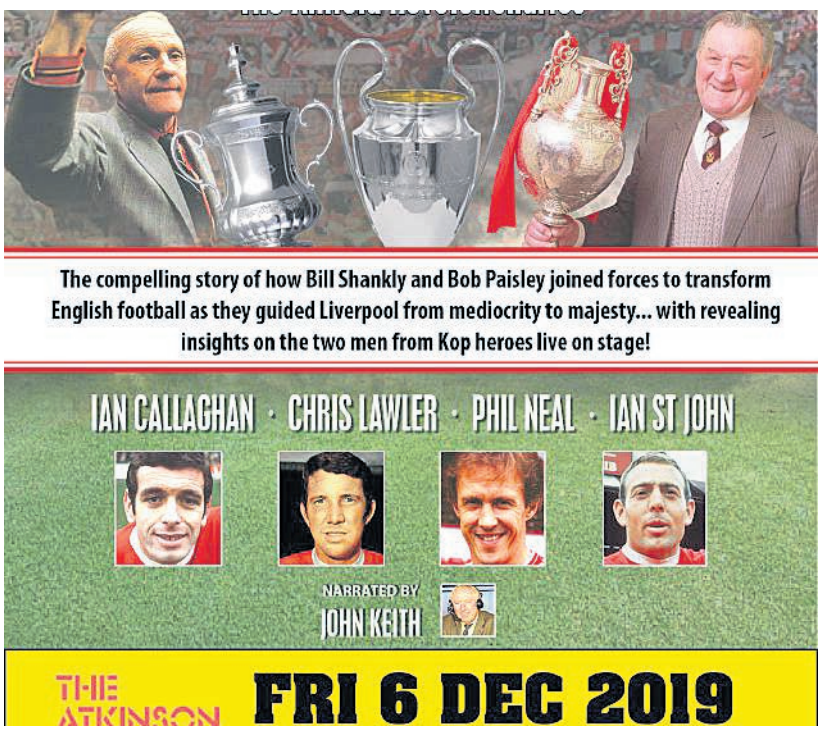
Narrated by writer and broadcaster John Keith and with Kop heroes Ian St John, Ian Callaghan, Chris Lawler and Phil Neal live on stage, Bill And Bob: The Anfield Revolutionaries will be staged at The Atkinson theatre on Friday evening, December 6.

The show charts Shankly's arrival at a club trapped in Second Division mediocrity and how he inspired a glorious revival of Liverpool fortunes.

The charismatic Scot, assisted by coach and physio Paisley, guided Liverpool to promotion, three League titles, two FA Cup triumphs ending the club's 73-year wait for the trophy in 1965 a UEFA Cup success and unbroken qualification for European football.

And when Shankly sensationally quit in 1974 Paisley succeeded him and went on to amass a stunning collection of 19 trophies in nine seasons, crowning Liverpool's 17-year journey from the second tier of English football to become kings of Europe in 1977.

Shankly and Paisley were poles apart in personality but shared an abiding passion and genius for building football teams and the show provides a unique, revealing insight into the two men who set the standards for future Anfield generations.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Southport resident John Keith, who scripted the show, wrote biographies of both Shankly and Paisley.

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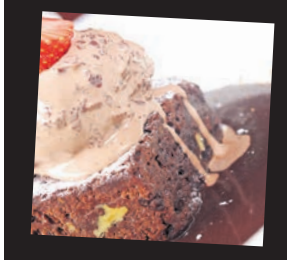

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OLIVIA WILSON

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to our wonderful Grandaughter who graduated from the University of Manchester on the 18th July 2019.

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Love always

Nannie and Grandad Grumps

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HOWE MARY (MAUREEN)

Chris, Donna and all the Family would sincerely like to thank all relatives, friends and neighbours who attended the funeral of Maureen and for all the kind messages of sympathy and support and donations.
Thanks also to Sandra Howles for the lovely Service and MLS Independent Funeral Directors (especially Sally) for their dignity, kindness and support.

CANN JACQUELINE (JACKIE)

Nigel and Family would like to express their sincere thanks to all relatives, friends and neighbours for all the sympathy cards, messages of condolence and donations for Queenscourt Hospice received during the recent sad loss of Jackie.
Thanks also to Rev. Sue Guenault for her lovely funeral service and kind words of comfort, and to Lisa Hunter MLS Independent funeral directors for the dignified funeral arrangements.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

THOMAS COLIN EDWIN

Sheila, Alun, Linda and Steven wish to thank all relatives, friends and neighbours for their kind messages of sympathy and support following the passing of a much loved and precious Husband and greatly loved Father, Grandad and Father-in-law.

Thank you to all who attended the funeral service on Monday 15th July 2019, celebrating Colin's life and memories and for the donations forwarded to Queenscourt Hospice.

Thank you also to Rev David Towler for conducting a heartfelt, moving service at St John's Parish Church, Ainsdale.

Our special thanks to Dr Weindling, the District Nurses from Ainsdale Clinic and for the help and support given by the staff of Queenscourt Hospice.

Appreciation to Formby Hall Golf Resort for their fine hospitality.

Finally, grateful thanks to Howard's Funeral Directors for their dignified support and kindness through a very difficult time.

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

HIGHAM MARIA

George, Joseph, Sue and all the Family would like to express heartfelt thanks for the support, condolence cards and all who attended the funeral of Mum.
A special thanks to Father Ted for his special service and tribute. We would also like to give a heartfelt thank you to David Wilkinson Funeral Directors for their dignified approach to the funeral arrangements.
Thank you all for your support during this difficult time.
Thank you for the charity donations to Cancer Research UK in Mum's memory, we are extremely grateful.

DEATHS

STUBBS GARY

12th July 2019
Passed away at home
aged 56 years

Beloved Husband of Stacey.
Devoted Son of Margaret. Loving Father of Sean and Holly. Much loved Brother of Kevin and Uncle of Carl & Kerry.
Will be sadly missed by all who knew him.
Funeral service will take place at Green Acres, Rainford on Monday 29th July at 10.30am.
Family flowers only.
Enquiries to Devonport Funeral Services.
Tel: 01695 731199

DEATHS

MOUNT JENNIFER (VALERIE)

Passed away peacefully at Parklands Lodge on the 18th July 2019
Aged 83

Loving Wife of the late Arthur. Loved and missed by her Daughters Helen, Alyson, Heather and family.

Funeral Service and Committal will take place at West Lancashire Crematorium on Monday 29th July 2019 at 3:15pm.
Family flowers only but donations if so desired to North West Air Ambulance.

Further enquiries to: Moisters Funeralcare, 25A Sefton Street, Southport, PR8 6SG, Tel: 01704 501501

BLUNDELL EVELYN

Passed away peacefully aged 95 years

Much Loved Wife of the late Dick.
Loving Mum, Nan, Great-Nan and Great-Great-Nan.
Funeral Service and Interment at St. Marks Church, Scarisbrick On Thursday 25th July 2019 at 10.30am.
Family flowers only please and donations if so desired for Age Concern.

Donations and further enquiries please to Sally Hunter MLS Independent Funeral Directors, 20, Moss Delph Lane, Aughton, Lancashire Tel: 01695 424888.

DEATHS

LANG RAYMOND VICTOR

Passed away peacefully at home surrounded by his loved ones on 20th July 2019
Aged 85 years

Dearly loved Husband of Brenda. Treasured Father to Chris and Elaine. Devoted Grandpa to Julian, George and Kai.

He will be sadly missed by all and will always be in our hearts.

Funeral service will take place on Friday 2nd August 2019 at 3.15pm West Lancs Crematorium, Burscough.

Further enquiries to Mark at Hunters Funeral Directors, 128b Burscough Street, Ormskirk, L39 2EY

WILLIAMSON JOHN ANDREW

Passed away Friday 19th July 2019 aged 75 years

Dearly loved Father, Grandfather and Great Grandfather.
'Forever in our hearts'
A funeral service will take place on Monday 29th July 2019 at 11.30am at West Lancashire Crematorium.
Family flowers only please. Donations if desired to Cancer Research UK.
For all enquiries contact W. Banks of Orrell, Sefton Villa, Sefton Rd, Orrell WN5 8UP Tel:01695 622272

DEATHS

COCHRANE ELIZABETH (BETTY)

9th July 2019
Aged 91 years

Passed away peacefully in the Promenade Care Home. Devoted Wife of the late William, loving Mother of the late Anne. Betty will be dearly missed by her Son Nigel, Daughter-In-Law Dominique, Grandson Andrew and his Wife Manda. Grave side service at Duke Street Cemetery on Friday 26th July at 10.00am. Family flowers only please, but if desired donations are being collected for Queenscourt Hospice.
Enquiries to Howard's Funeral Directors, 1-5 Roe Lane, Southport PR9 9DR. Telephone: 01704 500086.

DRAPER CONSTANCE MARY (CONNIE)

13th July 2019
Peacefully in hospital
aged 85 years
of Ormskirk

The dearly loved Sister of Carole & David.
She will sadly missed by all who knew her.
Funeral service at West Lancashire Crematorium, Burscough on Wednesday 7th August 2019 at 10:45am. Family flowers only please, donations if desired for The Alzheimer's Society.

All enquiries to Melanie Hardman at H Hardman & co., Independent Family Funeral Directors Tel: 01695 722122/720012

DEATHS

LEWIS ROY WILLIAM GEORGE

Passed away peacefully at Southport Hospital 8th July 2019 aged 86 years of Lathom

Loved and missed by all his family and friends. Funeral Service at West Lancs Crematorium on 26th July 2019 at 1.00pm
Family flowers only please by request but donations are being gratefully received for Parkinsons UK and Ward 15A Southport Hospital.

Donations and further enquiries please to April Hunter MLS Independent Funeral Directors, 22a, Liverpool Road, North, Burscough.
Tel: 01704 891555

MAHONEY RICHARD

15th July 2019
Peacefully at home surrounded by his loving family
aged 81 years

Loving Husband of the late Dorothy,
Devoted Dad of Lorraine and Richard,
Cherished Grandy of all his Grandchildren.
He will be sadly missed by all his family and friends.
Funeral service will take place at West Lancashire Crematorium on Thursday 25th July at 2.30pm.
Family flowers only please by request.
Donations if desired for Queenscourt Hospice.
All enquiries to Margaret Whitelam Skelmersdale Funeral Service, 29/31 Sandy Lane.
Tel: 01695 559868

DEATHS

JOHNSON DEREK HARGREAVES

14th July 2019
Peacefully in Queenscourt Hospice
Aged 83 years

Beloved Husband of Maureen, loving Dad of Ian, Andrea, Guy and Ollie, dear Father-in-law of Mary, Louise & Sophie, devoted Gramps of Alex, Elloise, Lydia, Isobel, Olivia, Eli, Arthur, Billy and Harry.
Funeral service will take place at West Lancashire Crematorium on Friday 26th July at 1.45pm.
Family flowers only by request.
Donations if so desired for Queenscort Hospice.
Donations and further inquiries please to M. Rushton Funeral Directors, 100 Marshside Road, Southport, PR9 9TG.
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HUMPHREYS ANN

12th July 2019
Passed away peacefully in hospital, aged 77 years.

Dearly loved Wife of the late Brian, Much loved Mum of Lynn, Loving Nanna of Shelley and Jonathan and Loving Sister of Janet.
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RIGBY JAMIE WILLIAM 'OUR JAY'

Tragically taken from us
27th July 2004
Aged 19 Years

'15 Long Years'

Remembering you
is easy,
We do it every day,
It's just the pain of
losing you
that never goes away.
They say that there's
a reason,
They say that time
will heal,
But neither time
nor reason,
will change the
way we feel.
But no one knows
the heartache,
that hides behind
our smiles,
No one knows how
many times,
we have broken
down and cried.
To us you were
so special,
What more can
we say,
Except to wish with
all our hearts,
that you were
here today.
Miss your beautiful
face and your cheeky
smile.

Reunited with little
mate Taz.

Love always
Broken-hearted Mum,
Dad, Sister Danielle
and Liam,
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to heaven'
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IN MEMORIAM

MARIA BERNADETTE WILSON

(Nee. Scogings)

12.02.1959 - 27.07.2018

Much loved Wife of
Ricky.

A lonely year has
since gone by on your
sudden and very sad
passing.
Not a day goes by that
I don't think about our
times together and
you are never far from
my thoughts.
There will always be a
special place in my
heart for you now and
forever.

If I had three wishes,
I'd tell you what
they'd be.
Million things that I
would do,
but they'd be nothing
without you,
so I can't think of.....
anything.
If I had three wishes,
'you' would be all.....
three.

We will meet again,
just don't know where
or when for now.
There will be no
Goodbyes.
Au Revoir till our time
comes round again.

Love as always
Ricky
xxx

IN MEMORIAM

RIDING HELEN

In memoriam
25th July 2013

There are no words to
describe what losing
you meant.
Now we're only left
with memories of the
happy years we spent.
You'd want us all to
smile again so that is
what we'll do.
Every time we
reminisce with loving
thoughts of you.
Love and miss you
Mum.
Love Jeff xxx

Still hurting every day
without you in our
lives
but we get comfort
in thinking of you
watching by our sides.
Watching the kids
grow and play
and watching down
on us all from day
to day.
Love and miss you
Mum.
Love from Robby,
Amy, Joe and Eva xxx

HELEN RIDING

Remembrance
25th July 2013

Remembering you
is easy we do it
everyday, losing you
is heartache that
never goes away.
xx
Broken Hearted
Mum & Dad.
The Heartache goes
on.
We miss you Helen.
Mark, Kerry, & Family,
Fred and Family
xxx

IN MEMORIAM

FINEGAN JOHN

24th July 2009
10 years today

A truly amazing
Husband, Dad and
Grandad.
Missed so much,
always in our
thoughts, we know
you're watching
down on us
(cleaning our cars).
Love from Wendy,
Michelle, Eugene and
Hannah and Ryan xxx

JULIE CARTER

(Nee McFarlane)
23rd July
Eleventh birthday away from home

You would be proud
of Sam and Cerys.

You are in our
thoughts and hearts
forever
Mum, Dad, Alan and
Nicki

Until we meet again
over the rainbow
xxx

RIDING HELEN

In Memoriam
25th July 2013

Another year without
you by my side.
Another year with
sadness in my eyes.
6 years passed and
your still always in my
thoughts.
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PUBLIC NOTICES

Licensing Act 2003
NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR VARIATION OF PREMISES LICENCE

We Chapel Gallery of 6 St Helens Road Ormskirk have applied to West Lancashire Borough Council to vary the Premises Licence the variations applied for are: Plays: Mon - Sun 09.00 to 23.30; Late night Refreshment: Mon - Sun 23.00 to 23.30; Alcohol: Mon - Sun 09.00 to 23.30.
Hours of operation (Opening Hours) 09.00 to 23.30 and to add the following licensable activities: Plays; Late Night Refreshment; Alcohol.
The application may be inspected at West Lancashire Borough Council, Licensing Section, Robert Hodge Centre, Stanley Way, Skelmersdale, WN8 8EE, between the hours of 9.00am and 4.30pm on Monday to Friday inclusive. Brief details can be also obtained from the Councils website http://www.westlancs.gov.uk/licensing
Any 'interested Party' may make representations in writing to the Council regarding the application before the 01.08.19 It is an offence, knowingly or recklessly to make a false statement in connection with an application and on summary conviction anyone doing so is liable to a fine of £5,000.

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LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
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(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2019

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Lancashire County Council have made an Order under **Section 14(1) (a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984**, as amended, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit traffic on the roads set out in this notice.

1. No person shall cause any motor vehicle or cycle to proceed over that length of Greetby Hill, Ormskirk outside property number 9 travelling in either direction for approximately 15 metres.

2. Nothing in this order shall apply to persons engaged in the carrying out of the works.

3. The prohibition will be operative from 0830 hours until 1530 hours on Saturday 27th July 2019 or until completion of the works within this period.

4. An alternative route for vehicular traffic affected by the closure is via:- Greetby Hill - A570 Stanley Street - Wigan Road - Tower Hill
Tower Hill - Wigan Road - Moor Street - St Helens Road - Park Road - Derby Street West

The temporary prohibition is necessary to allow United Utilities replacement of frame and cover works to be carried out.

Authority given for this Order to be made:
Peter Bell, Regulation & Enforcement Manager
Highways and Transport, 0300 123 6780
[Ref: HRiT/18750/EW]

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LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(CARR MOSS LANE, HALSALL, WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH)
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2019

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Lancashire County Council have made an Order under **Section 14(1) (a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984**, as amended, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit traffic on the roads set out in this notice.

1. No person shall cause any motor vehicle to proceed over that length of C106 Carr Moss Lane, Halsall from property number 7, Carr Moss Lane, Halsall to property number 11, Carr Moss Lane, Halsall

2. Nothing in this order shall apply to persons engaged in the carrying out of the works.

3. The prohibition will be operative from 0730 hours on Monday 31st July 2019 until 1630 hours on Friday 9th August 2019 or until completion of the works within this period. The road closure will be in place for the full duration between the times and dates stated above. Access for residents will be maintained.

4. An alternative route for vehicular traffic affected by the closure is via:- C106 Carr Moss Lane, Halsall - C106 Segar's Lane, Halsall (over the boundary into Sefton Borough) - Segar's Lane, Sefton Borough - A565 Liverpool Road, Sefton Borough - A5267 Liverpool Road, Sefton Borough - Halsall Road, Sefton Borough - New Cut Lane, Sefton Borough (over the boundary into West Lancashire Borough) - C107 New Cut Lane, Halsall - C107 Gregory Lane, Halsall - A5147 Halsall Road, Halsall - A5147 New Street, Halsall - C106 Carr Moss Lane, Halsall and vice versa

The temporary prohibition is necessary to allow a sewer connection for a new development to be carried out by JA Prescott Plant Hire Ltd.

Authority given for this Order to be made:
Peter Bell, Regulation and Enforcement Manager
Lancashire Highway Services, 0300 123 6701
[Ref: HRiT/18352/EW]

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Planning (Listed Buildings & Conservation Areas) Act 1990 Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015 - Article 15
APPLICATION(S) FOR PLANNING PERMISSION

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2019/0598/FUL Creation of a car parking area for staff at Moor Hall Restaurant, Prescot Road, Aughton.
The application affects a Listed Building.
2019/0690/FUL Single storey side extension with extended porch to front elevation and replacement roof to the existing garage. Internal reorganisation to existing rooms at 47 Westhaven Crescent, Aughton.
The application affects a Conservation Area.
2019/0712/FUL Demolition of existing vacant single storey building to provide 14 two storey houses (8 x 2 bed & 6 x 3 bed) with associated car parking, amenity gardens and landscaping of Eskbank and its connecting footpaths at Eskbank Day Nursery, 42A Eskbank, Tanhouse, Skelmersdale.
2019/0719/FUL Erection of 29 two storey houses (8 x 2 bed & 21 x 3 bed) (C3 Residential Use Class) with associated access, parking and landscaping works at Land To The South Of, Northfield, Skelmersdale.
The applications are available for viewing on the Council's website www.westlancs.gov.uk/planning. Alternatively, the application can be viewed during normal office hours at 52 Derby Street, Ormskirk and at 1st Floor, The Concourse, Skelmersdale. If you wish to comment on the proposal you can do so via the Council's web site, by e-mail to plan.apps@westlancs.gov.uk or in writing to Development and Regeneration Services, 52 Derby Street, Ormskirk, but these must be received within 24 days of the date of this notice quoting the application number.
Applications for Minor Commercial and Householder Development
If an appeal is made against a decision to refuse to grant planning permission, and that appeal proceeds under the written representations procedure, any representations made to the Council will be passed to the Secretary of State and there will be no opportunity to make further representations.
How information about you will be used
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John R Harrison DipEnvP., MRTPI Dated:24th July 2019
Director of Development and Regeneration PDNOT1054

PUBLIC NOTICES

LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(C164 HOSCAR MOSS ROAD, LATHOM, WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH) (TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2019

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Lancashire County Council intend to make an Order under **Section 14(1) (a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984**, as amended, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit traffic on the roads set out in this notice.

1. No person shall cause any motor vehicle to proceed over that length of C164 Hoscar Moss Road, Lathom at Hoscar Station Level Crossing for 20m either side.

2. Nothing in this order shall apply to persons engaged in the carrying out of the works.

3. The prohibition will be operative from 2359 hours on Saturday 10th August 2019 until 0800 hours on Sunday 11th August 2019 or until completion of the works within this period. Access will be for pedestrians only.

4. An alternative route for vehicular traffic including emergency service vehicles affected by the closure is via:-
C164 Hoscar Moss Road, Lathom - C164 Wanes Blade Road, Lathom - C164 Mains Lane, Bispham - B5264 Hall Lane, Bispham - B5246 Robin Lane, Hilldale - B5246 Chorley Road, Hilldale - B5246 Lancaster Lane, Parbold - A5209 Alder Lane, Parbold - A5209 Ash Brow - A5209 Course Lane, Newburgh - A5209 Course Lane, Lathom - A5209 Course Lane, Lathom - A5209 Lowry Hill Lane, Lathom - A5209 Briars Lane, Lathom - C164 Ring O Bells Lane, Lathom - C164 Hoscar Moss Road, Lathom and vice versa.

The temporary prohibition is necessary to allow the lifting of surface units on the level crossing to carry out a technical inspection of rails beneath to be undertaken by Networks Rail CEFA under a road closure provided by Centurion Site Services.

Authority given for this Order to be made:
Michael White, Network Regulation Manager
Lancashire Highway Services, 0300 123 6701

[Ref: HRiT/18073/EW]

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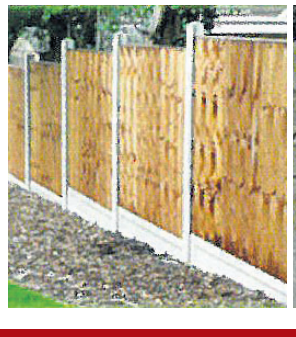

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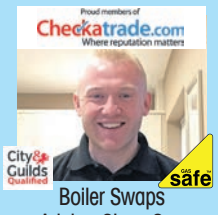

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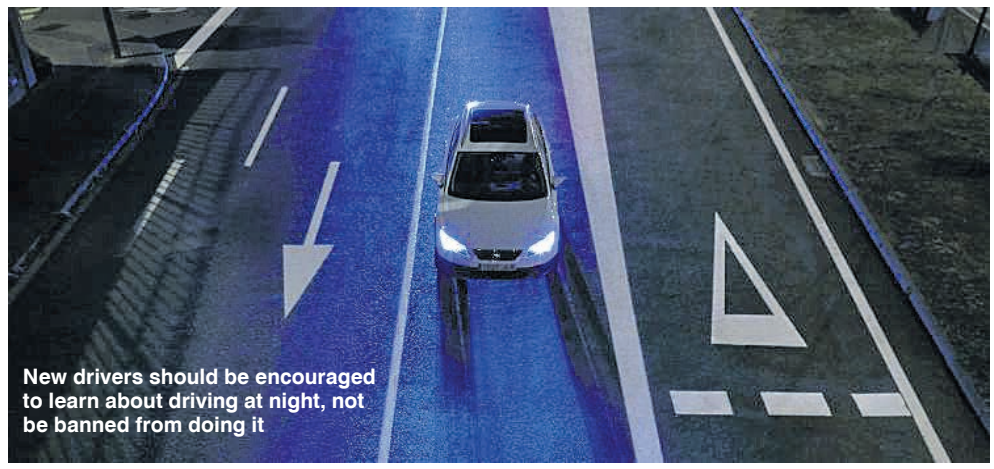

New drivers should be encouraged to learn about driving at night, not be banned from doing it

Boris, start off by sorting out this young drivers at night nonsense!

I'M NOT SURE how I feel about the bloke who used to be the motoring correspondent for *GQ* – and someone who posted a semi-respectable time as a *Top Gear* star in a reasonably priced car – being given the keys to an entire country.

Boris Johnson is the new Prime Minister. I suggest he starts – well, starts once he's got the small matter of working out whether we'll be leaving the EU sorted – by sorting out this nonsense about young drivers heading out at night, once and for all.

You might have noticed a slew of headlines in the national newspapers the other day suggesting that, as part of plans to bring in a new graduated driving licence, that newer drivers could face a ban from getting behind the wheel once it goes dark.

But once I'd pored through the details of the Department for Transport's new Road Safety Statement (I know, I should get out more) I couldn't actually find any details of this rather draconian-sounding plan.

What I did discover were findings from a study suggesting that there was insufficient evidence that 20mph speed limits in urban areas – that's you, highways people at Sefton Council and Lancashire County Council – had led to a significant change in collisions and casualties. It also noted that the number of annual road fatalities on British roads had barely changed since 2010, despite the volume of traffic increasing by eight per cent.

But what did pique my interest was the Government's target to increase the number of drivers who'd ventured out after sunset before taking their test from 82.5 per cent to more than 90 per cent; it's got similar plans for would-be-motorists practising their ability to drive independently, and those getting experience of tricky country roads, which have the highest accident rates.

Let's go hell for leather, Boris. I reckon the chap who did doughnuts – of the tyre-shredding, not confectionary-based, variety – in a Ginetta in the interests of plugging Brexit will agree emphatically with the idea of up 'n' coming motorists being given lessons in what it's like to rescue an ageing Proton from catastrophic understeer on a greasy country road. Youngsters should be taught just how irritating it is to have an Audi Q3 four inches off their rear bumper on a busy motorway, and how to respond safely; it might stop them becoming the culprit themselves a few years later.

In fact, I'd go even further than that. I'd take them to a private test track and let them feel an ABS system strut its stuff in an emergency stop, before taking them to the pitside café, treating them to four gin and tonics and letting them see for themselves exactly how being hammered knackers your reaction times.

Frankie Goes To Hollywood's *Relax* is all the proof you need that banning stuff doesn't work – and I reckon taking the same approach with driving and enjoying cars will have exactly the same result. But treating new drivers like adults and showing them how cars react in different situations, might actually encourage them to enjoy them properly…and safely.

Over to you, Boris.

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Burscough fall short at St Helens

IN the Second Division, Burscough were beaten away at St Helens Town.

The hosts were asked to bat first and declared on 185-5, with Jaidel Richardson 68 and Matthew Beilby 50 top scoring, whilst Chris Andrews took 4-44.

Navdeep Aujla top scored with 35 in Burscough's reply while Lee Berrie (26) and Josh Murray (27) bolstered the middle order.

The tail could not wag much, however, and Burscough were dismissed for 158 in the 48th over.

Richardson ended with figures of 4-18 while Liam Gaskell claimed 3-19.

Fourth placed Southport Trinity had a five wicket home win against Maghull, the visitors chose to bat and had to thank Jon Ring 79 and Anthony Molloy 40 for getting them to 149 all out, as the rest largely failed against Akshay Sreenivasan 4-47 and Mark Prince 3-41. In reply, Bobby Eyes 46, Jonny Hine 26, Tony Campbell 25* and Wim Van Der Walt 24 all helped Trinity to victory on 150-5.

Hightown St Mary's came out on top in a low scoring contest at Parkfield Liscard, the visitors were asked to bat and dismissed for 99, with Matt Laybourne 29 and skipper Ben Ashcroft top scoring, whilst Zaighum Abbas took 5-19 with the ball.

In reply, Jim Kelly took 6-19 as the hosts were dismissed for just 83.

Skelmersdale suffer heavy 121-run defeat

SKELMERSDALE suffered a 121 defeat at the hands of the Southport and District League leaders Merseyside Commonwealth Conference on Saturday.

MCC batted first and piled up a total of 232 for 8 in their 45 overs.

Rafiullah Assad top scored with 54 as the bowlers were put to the sword.

Matthew Wright claimed four wickets for 26 while Mike Houghton at least had the satisfaction of bowing out Mohamed Kaleel for a duck.

Unusually every wicket in the innings was out caught.

In Skelmersdale's reply both openers Joe Till and Houghton were out cheaply.

Matthew Wright and Jonas Smith were joint top scorers with 21 as Skem were dismissed for 111 in 32.4 overs.

Ormskirk storm into quarter-finals of National Cup

Knight leads way with bat to set up comfortable win

ORMSKIRK are in the quarter finals of the National Club Championship after beating a Nottinghamshire side by 96 runs on Sunday.

Choosing to bat first Ormskirk got off to a steady start with openers Alex rankin (26) and Tyler McGladdery putting on 33 runs for te first wicket.

Gary Knight with 62 anchored the middle of the innings taking on the Cuckney bowlers, along with George Lavelle (27) and Ian Robinson (34).

By the time Knight was dismissed it was 189-7 and the tail added a few more to leave Cuckney with a target of 197 to win.

Cuckney's batsmen never looked like getting near the target and they were all out in the 25th over for 100.

Tom Hartley was the leading wicket taker with 4-13 while Nicky Caunce and Scott Lees took two wickets each.

Ormskirk will play Yorkshire side Richmondshire away in the quarter-finals on Sunday, August 11.

Ormskirk sit in second place the Liverpool & District Cricket Competition Premier Division after a 24 run home win against Orrell Red Triangle.

Asked to bat first Ormksirk were able to declare on 192-7 thanks to runs from Tyler McGladdery 68 and Gary Knight 43, with Shahrukh Khan taking 4-22.

In Orrell RT's reply, Sam Heeley scored 44 and Richard Everett 42 but the visitors were eventually dismissed for 168 as Scott Lees (4-24) and Tom Hartley (4-53) sharing eight wickets.

Bootle opened up a 35 point lead at the top of the table after trouncing New Brighton by ten wickets at Wadham Road.

The visitors were put in to bat and dramatically collapsed from 29-1 to 47 all out, after a devastating spell of bowling from Hampshire all rounder Keith Barker who took nine wickets for 22 runs which included four wickets and a hat trick in his final over

Mike Farrell 25* and Will Hale 22* then eased the hosts to victory on 48-0.

Formby got back to winning ways with a 75 run victory at Southport & Birkdale.

After electing to bat first Formby managed to put 195 up on the board thanks to runs from David Atkinson 39, James Seward 34 and Ben Aitchison 26. Gary Keedy was the pick of the bowlers taking 4-66.

In S&B's reply Will Affleck top scored with 43 while Jack Baybutt scored 27 but they were dismissed for 120 with Ollie Sutton 3-15 and Jackson Darkes-Sutcliffe 3-19 taking the bulk of the wickets.

Third placed Northern won by ten wickets at Rainhill, who were rolled over for just 61, with Tom Sephton 5-12, Liam Grey 3-31 and Danny Houghton 2-18 taking the wickets to fall. In reply, Chris Laker 32* and Taylor Cornall 27* then took Northern to victory.

THIS weekend's local LDCC fixtures: Formby v Wallasey, Lytham v S& B, New Brighton v Ormskirk, Northern v Leigh, Rainhill v Bootle, Fleetwood Hesketh v Birkenhead Park, Newton le Willows v Ainsdale, Alder v Southport Trinity, Burscough v Sutton, Hightown St Mary's v Caldy and Norley Hall v Maghull.

New kit unveiled

SKELMERSDALE United has unveiled their new home kit for the upcoming season.

The side's all blue strip is made by Macron and features new sponsors SEP Drainage Surveyors on the front of the shirt.

Skem secure sponsorship deals with two local firms

AN appeal by Skelmersdale United FC chairman Paul Griffiths for help from the local business community has brought forward sponsorship deals from two companies, ***writes Neil Leatherbarrow.***

SEP Drainage Surveyors has agreed to sponsor the playing kit for the coming season and one of the best known companies in Skelmersdale, Hotter Shoes, has also stepped forward to support their home town team by sponsoring the players and coaches tracksuits.

A club spokesperson said: "We are very pleased to be associated with both these prestigious companies, who have shown faith in the club and its ambitions.

"We will endeavour to highlight and promote these companies on our travels throughout the land and in doing so we hope to forge a lasting relationship."

This is particularly good news for the club as they move to bring in more support from the local business community and they clearly hope it will inspire other companies to join them.

Vice chairman and commercial manager Norman Fenney added: "This really is great news.

"However, there are still plenty of opportunities available for others to join the two and have their names appear alongside companies who such good reputations and national profile."

The club has also thanked previous sponsor Messenger Express.

A club offical said: "We will not forget our previous main sponsor Paul Sammons and Messenger Express, without whom we can categorically say this club would not have survived the turmoil it was faced with."

For all enquiries, you can contact Norman Fenney by calling 07949 582262 or by e-mailing kath.fenney@sky.com.

Skelmersdale United continued their pre-season with a 3-0 victory over Wakefield FC last Saturday.

Goals from John Keatley, Alex Griffiths and a triallist eased the side to a comfortable win as they step up their preparations for the new season.

They have a game tonight (Wednesday, July 24), away to Lower Breck and then host Prescot Cables on Tuesday, August 30 at 7.30pm.

Skelmersdale begin their league campaign on Saturday, August 3 when they make the short trip to play Ashton Athletic away.

Burscough continued their winning pre-season run on Saturday when they won 2-1 at Vauxhall Motors.

They open their season on the same day as Skem, with a home game against Winsford United before an away game at Squires Gate the following Tuesday.

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